

PART VI DESIGN CRITERIA CHECKLIST

An application for Level II and Level III site plan approval, or an application for Level I site plan approval that includes a registered heritage property or a building located in a heritage conservation district, shall include a design rationale that identifies how each specific design requirement contained in Part VI is:

(a) either applicable or not applicable in the specific context of the application; and

(b) if applicable, the manner in which it has been addressed by the design.

Please complete this checklist to satisfy this application requirement.

This checklist is intended to be used as a guide to Part VI of the Regional Centre Land Use Bylaw. Additional requirements and definitions can be found within the full document. The Regional Centre Land Use Bylaw can be found here: https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/regional-community-planning/community-plan-areas/regional-centre-plan-area

*Please note that all diagrams referenced	in this form can be found in Part VI of the	Regional Centre Land Use Bylaw
Part VI, Chapter	2: At-Grade Private Open Space Desig	gn Requirements
Design Requirement: Contribution to	Open Space Network	
Section 113 Where one or more at- grade private open space(s) are proposed, at least one shall contribute to the Regional Centre's network of open spaces by: (a) abutting an existing public open space that is not a public sidewalk; (b) abutting an existing public sidewalk; (c) abutting an existing mid-block at-grade private open space; or (d) establishing a new mid-block at-grade private open space.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: ABBUTTING AN EXISTING PUBLIC SIDEWALK
Design Requirement: At-Grade Privat	te Open Spaces Abutting a Public Side	walk
Section 114 At-grade private open	N Applicable	Rationale:
spaces that abut public sidewalks shall provide pedestrian access by having at least one contiguous connection of not less than 2.0 metres wide, from the at-grade private open space to the public sidewalk.	Not Applicable	AT GRADE PRIVATE OPEN SPACE PROVIDED ABBUTTING SIDEWALK. EACH PRIVATE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS CONNECTION IS MIN. 2 METERS WIDE.



Design Requirement: At-Grade Privat	te Open Spaces – Medium Scale	
Section 115 At-grade private open spaces with a contiguous area of 15 square metres or greater, and dimensions of not less than 3.0 metres by 5.0 metres shall: (a) provide (i) barrier-free access, and (ii) permanent seating; and (b) provide one or more of the following materials for groundcover (i) vegetation, (ii) brick pavers, stone pavers, or concrete pavers, or (iii) wood, excluding composites.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Weather Protec	tion for At-Grade Private Open Spaces	– Medium Scale
Section 116 At-grade private open spaces with a contiguous area of 15 square metres or greater, and dimensions of not less than 3.0 metres by 5.0 metres shall offer weather protection to its users through at least one of the following (Diagram 7): (a) a new deciduous tree that is not a shrub or the retention of an existing tree that is not a shrub with a minimum base caliper of 100 millimetres; (b) canopies or awnings on abutting façades; (c) recessed entrances of abutting façades; (d) cantilever(s) of a building on the same lot; or (e) structures such as gazebos, pergolas, or covered site furnishings	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:



Design Requirement: At-Grade Privat	te Open Spaces – Large Scale	
Section 117 In addition to meeting		Rationale:
the requirements of Sections 115	Not Applicable	
and 116, at-grade private open		
spaces with a contiguous area		
exceeding 400 square metres and		
with an average depth exceeding		
2.5 metres, shall provide at least		
three of the following: (a) an		
additional deciduous tree that is not		
a shrub or the retention of an		
existing tree that is not a shrub with		
a minimum base caliper of 100		
millimetres; (b) a permanent table		
and chair(s); (c) a public art piece, a		
cultural artifact, or a		
commemorative monument; (d) a		
structure such as a gazebo or		
pergola; or (e) a planter or planting		
bed.		
Design Requirement: Existing Access	s to Public Open Spaces	
Section 118 At-grade private open		Rationale:
spaces shall maintain existing	Not Applicable	
accesses to abutting public open		
spaces.		



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Design Requirement: Privacy for Gra	de-Relat	ed Units	
Section 119 At-grade private open		Applicable	Rationale:
spaces which are 2.5 metres deep or		Not Applicable	
greater, as measured		~~	ROBERTS ST
perpendicularly from the streetline,			ENTRANCES:
and which are located between the			
streetline and a grade-related unit,			PROVIDED
shall provide privacy for the			PLANTERS 600 MM H
residential units by using a			2 OR MORE SHRUBS
minimum of one of the following			
elements per grade-related unit			PER ENTRANCE
(Diagram 8): (a) a deciduous tree that is not a shrub with a minimum			
base caliper of 50 millimetres; (b) a			
minimum of two shrubs, each no			
less than 1.0 metre in height; (c)			
planters ranging in height from 0.25			
to 1.0 metres; or (d) masonry walls			
ranging in height from 0.25 to 1.0			
metres.			
Design Requirement: Walkways to be	Hard-S	irfaced	
Section 120 Walkways within at-		Applicable	Rationale:
grade private open spaces shall be		Not Applicable	
hard-surfaced, excluding asphalt		••	
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			ALL ROBERTS ST
			PRIVATE
			ENTRANCES
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Part V	/I, Chapter 3: Building Design Require	ments
Design Requirement: Streetwall Artic		
Section 121 Streetwalls shall be divided into distinct sections no less than 0.3 metres in width and not exceeding 8 metres in width, from the ground floor to the top of the streetwall, with each section differentiated by using at least two of the following (Diagram 9): (a) colour(s); (b) material(s); or (c) projections and recesses not less than 0.15 metres in depth.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: PROVIDED MASONRY IN DISTINCT SECTIONS BETWEEN .3M AND 8M PROVIDED CORRUGATED METAL SIDING IN DISTINCT SECTIONS BETWEEN .3M AND 8M PROVIDED RECESSES BETWEEN .3M AND 8M
Design Requirement: Articulation of	Non-Streetwalls Fronting an At-Grade	Private Open Space
Section 122 Any exterior wall within the podium that is not a streetwall, and fronts an at-grade private open space abutting a public right-of-way, shall meet the requirements of Section 121 as if it was a streetwall.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Side Façade Ar	ticulation	
Section 123 Where a side yard is proposed or required, the side yard façade shall continue the streetwall articulation for a depth greater than or equal to the width of the side yard, as measured at the streetline, using the same options chosen to achieve the design requirement in Section 121 (Diagram 10).	 Applicable Not Applicable 	Rationale: MASONRY CONTINUED ALONG ALL FULL LENGTH OF SIDEYARDS



Design Requirement: Pedestrian Entra	ances Along Streetwalls	
Section 124 (1) Subject to	Applicable	Rationale:
Subsection 124(2), pedestrian entrances in the streetwall shall be	□ Not Applicable	PEDESTRIAN
distinguished from the remainder of		
the streetwall by using at least two		ENTRANCES DIFFER
of the following: (a) changes in		FROM STREETWALL
colour; (b) changes in materials; or		USING
(c) projections and recesses not less than 0.15 metres in depth		MATERIALS THAT
		DIFFER FROM
(2) Canopies or awnings shall not		STREETWALL:
be used to meet the requirements of Subsection $124(1)$.		COLOR CHANGE,
Subsection 124(1).		MATERIAL CHANGE
Design Requirement: Redestrien Entr	anage Along Non Streetwelle Frontin	RECESSES.
Design Requirement: Pedestrian Entra Section 125 Any exterior wall	Applicable	Rationale:
within the podium that is not a	 Not Applicable 	
streetwall, and fronts an at-grade		PROVIDED CANOPIES,
private open space, shall meet the requirements of Section 124 as if it		MASONRY IN
was a streetwall.		DISTINCT SECTIONS
		BETWEEN .3M AND 8M,
		,
		CORRUGATED
		METAL SIDING IN
		DISTINCT SECTIONS
		BETWEEN .3M AND 8M,
		RECESSES BETWEEN
		.3M AND 8M
Design Requirement: Number of Pede	estrian Entrances Along Streetwalls	
Section 126 Streetwalls shall	□ Applicable	Rationale:
provide: (a) a minimum of one pedestrian entrance per storefront;	Not Applicable	NO STOREFRONTS
or (b) a minimum of 2 pedestrian		
entrances where the storefront is		PROVIDED.
greater than 24 metres wide		
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Design Requirement: Ground Floor T	ransparency – Commercial Uses	
Section 127 For at-grade commercial uses in the streetwall, between 50% and 80% of the building's ground floor façade dedicated to commercial uses shall consist of clear glass glazing.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Ground Floor T	ransparency – Grade-Related Unit Use	s
Section 128 For grade-related unit uses in the streetwall, between 25% and 80% of the building's ground floor façade dedicated to grade- related unit uses shall consist of clear glass glazing.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Access Ramps	Along Streetwalls	
Section 129 Where a ramp for barrier-free access is provided between a streetwall and a sidewalk, no portion of the access ramp shall exceed a width of 2.0 metres and depth of 2.0 metres.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:

Design Requirement: Weather Protec	tion _	
Section 130 (1) Subject to Subsection 130(2), where entrances for commercial uses or multi-unit dwelling uses are proposed in the streetwall, weather protection for pedestrians shall be provided above the entrances and shall consist of at least one of the following (Diagram 11): (a) canopies; (b) awnings; (c) recessed entrances; or (d) cantilevers. (2) Subsection 131(1) shall not apply to the entrances of grade- related units	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: PROVIDED RECESSED ENTYRANCES
Design Requirement: Exposed Found	ations and Underground Parking Struct	tures
Section 131 Exterior foundation walls and underground parking structures the height of which exceeds 0.6 metres above grade shall be clad in a material consistent with the overall design of the same exterior façade.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Building Top D	istinction	
 Section 132 (1) Subject to Subsection 132(2), a portion of the top third of a building shall be differentiated from lower portions of the same building, by using two or more of the following (Diagram 12): (a) colour(s); (b) material(s); and (c) projections and recesses not less than 0.15 metres in depth. (2) The minimum height of the differentiated portion shall be no less than: (a) 0.5 metres in height for a low-rise building or mid-rise building; (b) 1.0 metres in height for a tall mid-rise building; and (c) 3.0 metres in height for a high-rise building. 	 Applicable Not Applicable 	Rationale: TOP 1/3RD OF THE BUILDING IS A DIFFERENT a) MATERIAL b) COLOR FROM BOTTOM 2/3'S TOP 1/3RD IS CORRUGATED METAL, BOTTOM 2/3RD'S IS COMPOSITE PANELS AND MASONRY (ALL DIFFERENT COLOR)



Design Requirement: Penthouses		
Section 133 Penthouses shall be visually integrated into the overall design of the building	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: PENTHOUSE IS VISUALLY INTEGRATED BY USING THE SAME STEEL CORRUGATED PROFILE AS THE MAIN BUILDING
Design Requirement: Rooftop Mecha	nical Features	
Section 134 Rooftop mechanical features shall be visually integrated into the design of the building and concealed from the public view at the streetline.	Applicable Implicable Implicable Implicable	Rationale: ANY MECHANICAL PENTHOUSE WILL BE CONCEALED IF APPLICABLE
Dort VI. Chapter	· 4: Parking, Access, and Utilities Desi	an Paquiraments
Design Requirement: Pedestrian Con		
Section 135 Where pedestrian connections are proposed on the site, at least one shall connect (Diagram 13): (a) one public street to another public street; (b) one public street to a public open space; (c) one sidewalk to another sidewalk; or (d) one public street or a sidewalk to an at-grade private open space that is located on the site.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: A PUBLIC WALKWAY IS PROVIDED TO CONNECT MAYNARD ST TO ROBERTS ST



Design Requirement: Pedestrian Cont	nections Through Accessory Surface P	arking Lots
Section 136 (1) Pedestrian	Applicable	Rationale:
connections within accessory	Not Applicable	
surface parking lots shall be no less		
than 2.0 metres wide.		
(2) Pedestrian connections within		
accessory surface parking lots shall		
be delineated by raised walkways,		
no less than 0.15 metres high, and		
consisting of: (a) poured concrete;		
(b) brick pavers; (c) stone pavers;		
or (d) concrete pavers.		
(3) Where a pedestrian connection		
crosses a driving aisle, the surface		
of the aisle shall be raised to meet		
the elevation of the abutting		
pedestrian connection and		
delineated with a change of colour		
or material from the driving aisle.		
(4) A pedestrian connection shall		
provide a direct route between		
parking areas, building entrances,		
and the nearest sidewalk.		
Design Requirement: Motor Vehicle :	_	Defender
Section 137 (1) Motor vehicle and	Applicable	Rationale:
service accesses in the streetwall	Not Applicable	A COMPLETELY
shall be minimized by using the same colours or materials chosen		CLOSED GARAGE DOOR
for the streetwall.		
for the streetwall.		LESS THAN 4.5 M HIGH
(2) All motor vehicle and service		IS PROVIDED IN
accesses shall: (a) not exceed the		STREETWALL FOR
height of the ground floor or 4.5		
metres, whichever is less; and (b)		MOTOR VEHICLES. THE
be completely enclosed with a		STREETWALL IS
door(s)		MASONRY WITH COLOR/
		MATERIAL CHANGES
		BETWEEN .3M AND 8M
	l to a Building or Within a Parking Stru	
Section 138 Where parking internal	Applicable	Rationale:
to a building is located within the	Not Applicable	
streetwall, it shall be screened from		THE INTERNAL
public view from any public right-		PARKING AREA
of-way or park.		
		IS NOT VISIBLE TO
		THE PUBLIC. IT IS
		SCREENED WITH A
		CUSTOM
		GARAGE DOOR.



Design Requirement: Visual Impact N	Aitigation for Utility and Mechanical F	eatures
Section 139 The visual impact of utility features and mechanical features, including vents and meters, shall be minimized by concealing them from public view at the streetline by: (a) using opaque screening; or (b) enclosing them within a projection or recess in the building.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: UTILITY AND MECHANICAL FEATURES WILL HAVE EITHER OPAQUE SCREENING OR ENCLOSED WITH A PROJECTION OR RECESS IN THE FACADE OF THE BUILDING.
Design Requirement: Heat Pumps and	l Other Heating and Ventilation Equip	ment for Individual Units
Section 140 Heat pumps and other heating and ventilation equipment for individual units are permitted on balconies, unenclosed porches, and verandas if they are concealed from public view at the streetline by: (a) using opaque screening; or (b) enclosing them within a projection or recess in the building.	 Applicable Not Applicable 	Rationale: ANY HEAT PUMPS USED ON BALCONIES WILL BE SCREENED WITH METAL OR COMPOSITE PANELS.
	pter 5: Heritage Conservation Design I	Requirements
Design Requirement: Conservation of Section 141 Character-defining elements of registered heritage buildings shall be conserved and remain unobstructed.	Character-Defining Elements	Rationale:



Design Dequirement: New Windows and Deers	
Design Requirement: New Windows and Doors Section 142 New window and door openings on registered heritage buildings shall match established patterns (materials, design, detail, and dimensions). Applicable Rationale:	
Design Requirement: Preservation of Architectural Elements	
Section 143 Architectural elements on registered heritage buildings shall be preserved, such as pilasters, columns, cornices, bays, and parapets.	



Design Requirement: Use of Archival Evidence				
Section 144 Archival evidence shall be used to support the rehabilitation and restoration of character-defining elements on registered heritage buildings, or on registered heritage properties.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:		
Design Requirement: Historic Buildin	ng Façades			
Section 145 Historic building façades on registered heritage buildings shall be retained and rehabilitated, or restored using traditional materials.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:		
Design Requirement: Materials				
Section 146 Brick or masonry façades shall be maintained and restored on registered heritage buildings. The painting of brick or masonry façades is prohibited.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:		

Design Requirement: Maintenance of Same or Similar Cornice Line Height for New Developments in a Heritage Context				
Section 147 The podiums or streetwalls of new developments in a heritage context shall maintain the same or similar cornice line height established by abutting registered heritage buildings, except where the maximum streetwall height permitted under the Land Use By- law is lower than the cornice of the registered heritage buildings.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:		
Design Requirement: Streetwall Steph Section 148 Subject to Subsection	back for Taller Portions of New Develo	pments in a Heritage Context Rationale:		
Section 143 Subject to Subsection 93(4), any portions of new developments in a heritage context that are taller than the cornice line of an existing abutting registered heritage building shall be stepped back from the streetwall (Diagram 14).	Applicable Not Applicable			

Design Requirement: Side Wall Stepback for Taller Portions of New Detached Buildings in a Heritage Context				
Section 149 Where a detached	□_ Applicable	Rationale:		
building constitutes a new	Not Applicable			
development in a heritage context	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
and where it abuts the same				
streetline as the registered heritage				
building, any portions of the new				
development that are taller than the				
cornice line of the registered				
heritage building shall be stepped				
back 3 metres on the side that abuts				
the heritage building (Diagram 15).				
Design Requirement: Architectural E	lements of Existing Heritage Buildings	to be Used as a Reference in the		
Design of New Development in a Her				
Section 150 Architectural elements		Rationale:		
of existing abutting registered	Not Applicable			
heritage buildings shall be used as a	· · · · · · ·			
reference in the design of new				
development in a heritage context,				
by: (a) Incorporating articulation				
established by vertical and				
horizontal architectural elements of				
the registered heritage buildings				
(i.e. columns, pilasters, cornice,				
architectural frieze, datum lines,				
etc.); (b) Incorporating proportions				
and vertical spacing of the				
registered heritage buildings'				
windows; and (c) Where new				
development in a heritage context is				
located at the ground level,				
maintaining the proportions and				
transparency of the registered				
heritage buildings' storefront and				
façade elements				
Design Requirement: Awnings and C	anopies			
Section 151 (1) If proposed on a		Rationale:		
registered heritage building,	Not Applicable			
awnings and canopies shall be: (a)				
Designed to fit within the dominant				
horizontal structural elements of the				
lower façade and not obscure				
significant architectural features;				
(b) Located between vertical				
columns or pilasters to accentuate				
and not to obscure these elements;				
(c) Designed to complement the				
fenestration pattern of the registered				
heritage building; and (d)				
Constructed using heavy canvas				
fabric or similar material in either a				
solid colour or striped. The use of				
retractable awnings is encouraged.				
Vinyl and high gloss fabrics and				

internally-illuminated awnings shall be prohibited.		
(2) Metal or glass awnings or canopies may be permitted on a registered heritage building, if designed to complement historic architectural elements.		
Design Requirement: Lighting Hardw	79 1 °P	
Section 152 Lighting hardware shall be located so that it does not disfigure or conceal any significant architectural feature of the registered heritage building. Where it is not possible to hide lighting hardware, it shall be compatible with the building's architecture and materials.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale:
Design Requirement: Directing Lighti	ing to Accentuate or Emphasize Archit	ectural Features or Signage
Section 153 Lighting shall be directed to accentuate or emphasize the architectural features of registered heritage buildings or their signage.	 Applicable Not Applicable 	Rationale:
	VI, Chapter 6: Other Design Requirem	ients
Design Requirement: General Lightin		
Section 154 The following features shall be illuminated: (a) common building entrances; (b) walkways; (c) accessible at-grade private open space; (d) parking lots; and (e) off- street loading spaces.	Applicable Not Applicable	Rationale: ALL COMMON BUILDING ENTRANCES, WALKWAYS WILL BE ILLUMINATED

Design Requirement: Emphasis of View Terminus Sites			
Section 155 View terminus sites, as	□_ Applicable	Rationale:	
shown on Schedule 5, shall be	Not Applicable		
emphasized perpendicular to and	TI TI		
visible from a view line, by at least			
one of the following approaches:			
(a) subject to Subsection 93(5),			
extending the height of a portion of			
the streetwall (Diagram 16); (b)			
locating a clock tower, bell tower,			
rooftop cupola, spire, steeple, or			
minaret on the top of the building			
(Diagram 16); (c) providing an at-			
grade private open space (Diagram			
17); or (d) locating a public art			
installation, a landmark element, or			
a cultural artifact on a portion of the			
streetwall, or in an at-grade private			
open space (Diagram 17).			
Design Requirement: Parking Areas,	Accessory Surface Parking Lots, Off-S	treet Loading Spaces, and Site	
Utilities on View Terminus Sites			
Section 156 Parking areas,	🗆 📕 Applicable	Rationale:	
accessory surface parking lots, off-	Not Applicable		
street loading spaces, or site utilities	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
shall not be visible within a view			
terminus as shown on Schedule 5.			